Parts Of Dickinson's Report Will Be Suppressed

Secretary Of War Sends Document To Congress In Which Alleged Unpreparedness Of Country For War Is Accentuated---Says Coasts At Mercy Of Foreign Enemies And That Woeful Lack Of Men, Guns And **Ammunition Exists**

Washington, Dec. 15 .- Official circles are all worked up over formal reports prepared by the secretary of war disclosing a state of unpre paredness in the national de fenses that is characterized a sensational. Unusual efforts have been made by members of the news: of representatives to suppress the contents of these reports, on the ground that their publication woul be detrimental to the government' best interests. But Secretary Dick inson and Major General Leonar. Wood, chief of staff, who ought t know how far I' is expedient to disclose the condition of the national defense to other nations, have appair ently been entirely willing to havthe reports given out.

To make the situation more com plicated, President Taft's views in regard to the so-called sensations reports do not accord with those of his own cabinet advicers and chief

Marked "Confidential."

The modified report, which is said to be considerably milder than the original, was sent to the house and was marked "confidential." The report submitted was an expurgated edition of the original. It was accompanied by a statement by General Wood. As the rules of the house do not provide a practical method for dealing with confidential docu ments, the Dickinson report was made the subject of a conference by Speaker Cannon and other leaders. They decided, after perusing its contents, that the portions containing facts not detrimental to the public interest should be returned to the house and that the other material in the report of a confidential character should be sent to some house com-

Although the contents of the report forwarded were closely guarded it was learned that the document points out that the country is waolly unprepared for war; that there is a woeful lack of men, of guns and ammunition; that the army is on the footing that approximates disorganization so far as effectiveness and

SECRETARY DICKINSON

His Report on Army Conditions Creates a Big Stir.



coast would be imperiled if an armed force appeared, and other statements along that line. The creation of a council of national defense is recommended.

SALEM WORKMEN ORGANIZE TO FIGHT THE BUTCHERS Station for Commercial Per-

consumers are now engaged in a wholesale firm in Pittsburg, because lively meat war that is playing havon they claimed that local dealers ers in the city. The agitators of this that asked in other towns, and then

Salem. O. Dec. 15. - Salem men the purpose or buying meat from a with the retail business of all deal- boosted the price of all cuts above meat war now threaten to extend refused to reduce the price. These their boycott into the grocery line. men by sending their orders together A meat club composed of 500 get the advantage of wholesale workingmen has been organized tor prices from Pittsburg.

Scale Signed by Potters.

for two years.

Tamper With Communion Wine. substituted indelible ink for communiculprit.

Columbus, O., Dec. 15 .- Through ion wine at the Pleasant Valley the good offices of the state toard of Christian church, and several people arbitration, the workers and manu- were made violently ill. The wine facturers of the Crocksville potteries was kert at the church and, not nohave settled their differences satis- ticing the change in the color of the factority and signed up an agreement liquid, the elders passed the vintage to the members. Many of them drank befo. s the change was noticed Soon after they were violently ill. Carlisle, Ky., Dec. 15.-Somebody Investigation has not revealed the

Shamrock II. For Being Finest Steer In Country Is Doomed to Death



Poor Shamrock II.! He ate deep of the fine grass of lows, grew fat and sleek on mixed foods and had his back rubbed, and scrubbed every day for ten short months. Life was a good thing to Shamrock II. Each day he grew sounder, happier, and then one day the lown State Agriculture college shipped Shannock off to Chicago, 'There Richard A. Carden of County Tipperary, Ireland, said to be one of the finest judges of cattle in the country, saw the young steer and scaled his fate when he directed that he be given the blue ribbon. Shamrock II. was killed, his 1,100 pounds of meat being pronounced as the best in the country. This is the third time that lows has won the first prize

GETS VALUABLE JEWELRY DOES MRS. AUGUSTA SIETSCN

will reach, if it does not exceed, \$2. | pay off its indebtedness. 000,000. This will of course depend largely upon the value which the ap-The cash, accurities and personal esrumored, \$1,000,000.

000. is also made the residuary lega- her.

every reason to believe that the val- Scientist of New York is the next ue of Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy's estate largest beneficiary, as there is left to has been underestimated, and that it it a sum not to exceed \$175,000, to

Mrs. Augusta Stelson, now excommunicated from the mother church praisers place upon the copyrights, was given the "crown of diamonds," one of Mrs. Eddy's most valuable tate, exclusive of the copyrights, will pieces of jewelry, in the form of a exceed, it is pretty authoritatively large brouch. Under the circum-Under the terms of the will the sioned at Mrs. Stetzon's being named. mother church at Boston is to get in the will as recipient of the jewel, the bulk of Mrs. Eddy's enormous but it is believed that Mrs. Eddy fortune. This church, in addition to through all their past differences special bequests aggregating \$150, maintained an abiding affection for

Columbus, O., Dec. 15 .- No ceremonies, aside from the administering of will be conspicuously absent. To the official oath of office by Justice customary National Guard escort also Spear, who will then head the Ohio will be dispensed with,

Governor Harmon thus establishes decorating the statehouse, as has ala new precedent. The governor will

As now planned, Justice Spear will supreme court, will attend the second inauguration of Governor Harmon, Jan. 9. This has been definitely defamily and a few friends, immediately defamily and a few friends. Immediately defamily family and a few friends. Immedi-

ways been done previously, nor will not deliver n inaugural address and the inaugural ball, the social feature the usual music and other speeches of nearly every inauguration, whethand exercises in the capitol rotunda er first or second, be held.

WIRELESS

poses To Be Established Here

Mt. Vernon is to have a wireless to to for commercial purposes.

A contract was closed up Thursday morning by J. R. Lawyer of Columbus for a suite of rooms in the Union lilock, South Main street, where the tation will be installed. Two poles will be erected, one on the front of the utilding and the other on the rear. The poles will be higher than any utilding in the city.

Mr. Lawyer will have charge of the local office. Mr. Levi Keyes of the local office. M he local office. Mr. Levi Keyes of was not necessary, owing to the quick 18c he local office. Mr. Levi Keyes of Tolumbus is int the head of the concern. Mr. Bert Hyatt of this city is if o interested in the company.

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Springfield, O., Dec. 15.—After a preliminary hearing before a big crowd William Dillard and his three sons, Ralph, Clifford and Thomas were bound over to the grand jury by Magistrate George Tehan. Cliffor Dillard is charged with second de gree murder for the shooting of Ho mer Dillon, and the others with sault with intent to kill. No bonds were fixed because the attorneys said it was impossible to obtain bail

Columbus, O., Dec. 15,-That a trust, formed to import Greek boys to Columbus and other Ohio cities to work in shoeshining parlors, lunchrooms, poolrooms and moving ple ture shows is thought to have headquarters in Columbus, was developed when United States Immigration Inspector Jacob Brodle of Pittsburg filed suit in federal court against Gust James and William Chekeres. Greek brothers in Columbus, charging them with violation of the government immigration laws.

Sandusky, O., Dec. 15,-The women's wear store of Pusch, Martin 's Company, almost opposite the cenpolice station, was robbed of furs valued at \$500. When Edward Pusch, senior member of the firm, oper d the store he was confronted with a huge yellow bulldog He decided that the animal had be a left behing by a belated patron a after kicking the dog into the street, went abou his business. Later .13 robbery as discovered. Pusch is now seeking the dog as the only

A Burning Answer.

"An abstract noun is the name of something of which we can think, but which we cannot touch," said a teacher to a pupil. "Give me an example," "A redhot poker, sir!"-London Tit-

LIVE STOCK AND CRAIN

CHICAGO-Cattle: Berves, 14 00@7 00 Jan. 9. This has been definitely decided, at the governor's request, as he believe, that the expense to the state involved in the usual elaborate exercises is needless.

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tle, \$6 00@0 50; shipping steers, \$5 75@5 83; butener cattle, \$4 75: 5 25, helfers, \$3 25%5 75; fut cows, \$2 50@5 00; bulls,

DEATH MYSTERY

Found In Vacant Lot Near Columbus Cemetery

Name That Appears On Card In Suitcase May Furnish Clew To Identity Of Person Guilty Of Crime--- Autopsy Discloses Fact That Florence Baer, 19, Was Soon To Become A Mother--- Loroner Finds No Evidence Of Suicide

Columbus, O., Dec. 15,-Fred Baer, struggle. The shoes were without a farmer living near Grove City, has identified the body of the young girl Side, as his daughter, Florence Bear, to the manuer of her death, although they believe she did not die where the body was discovered.

Obetz and Pickering served only to deepen the mystery as to the cause

empty and in healthy condition, her heart and lungs normal, and that she would have become a mother in about six months. There was no sign of any attempted operation. At the nclusion of the autopsy

the physicians said there was a re mote possibility that the young woman had died under the influence chloroform or other, administered preparatory to performing an operation. The stemach, though empty, will be so Jected to chemical analysis for tra s of any subtle poison.

There were no marks on the body to indicate murder. There were no signs to a gest suicide. The entire city detec /e force is working on the myster.

Every circumstance supports the deduction, the police say, that the body was taken, after death had oc- escaping has killed both. curred, to the place where it was found by B. 1. Smith when he was crossing the feld to a grocery store for breakfast gunriles.

Body Carefully Arranged. carefully arranged manner on the of New York, back, without any evidence of a

snow, ice or mud, tending to show the wearer had not walked there. Tracks of a rubber-tired buggy and footprints of an unshed horse were found leading down over the hill on the south to the tree, and back again over the bill down Avondale avenue, thence to Mound street and out Jack-

son pike. In a suitcase near the girl's body was a card, which read: "Will be with you in 20 minutes, Clifford." No clew has been secured toward establishing the writer's identity.

bodies of Esther Needham and Elva Sheen, both 15 and cousins, were found in a gas-filed bedroom at the home of Esther's mother, Mrs. Mary Costello. Elva came to visit with Esther. When the girls went to bed they left an open gas beater and a gas light in the room both burning low. The stove went out and the

Vivian Gould to Wed.

London, Dec. 15. - The marriage engagement is officially announced of Lord Decies and Miss Vivian Gould. The body was lying in an orderly, second daughter of George J. Gould

MANY DEAD IN

EAST BUFFALO-Coulde: Export cat. Elayan Are Killed Guitight; One Dies Later.

TEN BODIES ARE DECOVERED

Superintendent and Three Othera Enter Shaft as Rescue Party and Have Not Been Heard From - Inspectors on Hand-Disaster Said Lower Chamber of Workings From great was its force. Open Lamp.

out alive, but one died a few hours streyed. Of the total loss of \$10,000

succumbed to his injuries. Rosen- Thomson, multi-millionaire

curred Superintendent James Barrowman, with three mine bosses, started down the shaft as a resene party. Upon reaching the boltom they signated for the stop, and have not been heard from since. It is thought they died in the mine. So for 10 bodies have been recovered.

The explosion is said to have been caused by an accumulation of gas in the lower levels being set fire to by an open lamp belonging to one of the miners, but this can not be confirmed.

State mine inspectors armed with gas muzzles and other safety appliances arrived several hours after the disaster, and are assisting in the

work of removing the bodies. Fire broke out in the mine following the first explosion, and frantic efforts are being made to get some aid to the imprisoned men. It is declared the draft fans at the entrance to Be Due to Ignition of Gas In were shattered by the explosion, so

Mills Burn; Loss, \$10,000. Kirkersville, O., Dec. 15,-Damage near here, 12 men were killed by an of more than \$10,000 was done when the ficur and saw mills of Geiger & Roshorn were destroyed by fre of unknown origin. Three thousand were in the mine at the time of the bushels of wheat, 1,000 bushels of explosion and only two were taken onts and a car load of feed were de-

> Admits Bribing Officials. Cincinnad. O., Dec. 15. - Peter

only \$2,000 is covered by insurance.